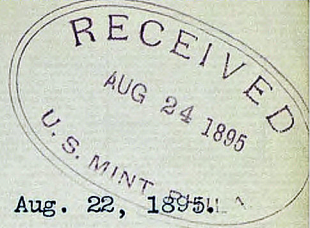


DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

DIVISION OF MINING STATISTICS AND TECHNOLOGY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22, 1895.



Mr. R. E. Preston,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "David S. Day".

Chief, Mining Department,

C. S. & I. E.

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MINT of U. S. PHILADELPHIA. RECEIVED AUG 24 1895

U.S. Geological Survey

Washington D.C. Aug 22 1895

David Day, Chief Mfrs Dept,
Atlanta, Exposition

Asks to prepare a Cube each
of Gold and Silver at his Expense,
the giving dimensions on each edge,
to be used as part of Statistical
Column at Atlanta Exposition

Treasury Department,
Bureau of the Mint,
Washington, D.C., Aug. 23rd., 1895.

Respectfully referred to the
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and the expenses of preparing the
cubes.

R. B. Preston
Director, Mint.

132 mm.
38.1 mm.

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Answered, package sent
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